



Every day in Illinois... ...more than 450 babies are born

34 will be reported to APORS*

Of these:

- 20 have birth defects
- 9 weigh less than 3 pounds 5 ounces
- 2 have serious congenital infections
- 9 have other adverse outcomes
- 2 will die without leaving the hospital
- 3 died before delivery



Five years (2007-2011) of APORS data were analyzed to determine the number of infants that meet each APORS case criterion (see Table 1). Because multiple adverse outcomes may coexist, it is possible for an infant to have been counted in more than one of the categories in Table 1. Infants diagnosed with a birth defect represented more than half the cases. Almost one third of the infants reported to APORS weigh less than 1,500 grams.

Table 1: Frequency of Infants Meeting APORS Case Criteria, 2007-2011

Infants	5-Year Total	Annual Average	Rate per 10,000 Live Births	Percent of APORS Cases
APORS Cases	62,101	12,420.2	726.8	100.0
Birth Defects	37,151	7,430.2	434.8	59.8
Very Low Birth Weight	17,192	3,438.4	201.2	27.7
Fetal Deaths	5,113	1,022.6	59.8	8.2
Died During Newborn Hospitalization	3,650	730.0	42.7	5.9
Intrauterine Growth Retardation	4,109	821.8	48.1	6.6
Congenital Infections	2,927	585.4	34.3	4.7
Retinopathy of Prematurity	2,519	503.8	29.5	4.1
Endocrine, Metabolic or Immune Disorder	783	156.6	9.2	1.3
Other	9,329	1,865.8	109.2	15.0

Source: APORS, February 2015

Surveillance reports for adverse pregnancy outcomes are produced annually by the Illinois Department of Public Health, Division of Epidemiologic Studies. These reports, as well as a detailed explanation of APORS case criteria, are available from the APORS program. Requests should be made to the Illinois Department of Public Health, Division of Epidemiologic Studies, APORS, 535 W. Jefferson St., Third Floor, Springfield, IL 62761, 217-785-1873. These data can be accessed on the Department's website at

<http://www.dph.illinois.gov/sites/default/files/publications//aporseverydayinillinois.pdf>